MINUTES WASECA CITY COUNCIL WORK SESSION TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 7, 2023, 6:00 P.M.

CALL TO ORDER

The Waseca City Council Work Session began at 6:00 p.m.

ROLL CALL

Councilmembers Present: Mayor Randy Zimmerman

Jeremy Conrath John Mansfield Daren Arndt

James Ebertowski Stacey Schroeder

Councilmembers Absent: Mark Christiansen

Staff Present: Carl Sonnenberg, Interim City Manager

Alicia Fischer, Finance Director Nate Willey, City Engineer

Tina Wilson, PCED, Economic Development Manager

PURPOSE

Two topics for tonight's work session:

1st to discuss the open position of City Manager

2nd to discuss current regulation on Delta-9 Tetrahydrocannabinol (THC), proposed legislation and the City of Waseca's current moratorium.

CONVERSATION

Councilmember Conrath stated he has been pleased with Mr. Carl Sonnenberg's work to date as interim City Manager and that sentiment was echoed amongst all council members.

The councilmembers were provided with a letter from Carl Sonnenberg on his thoughts about taking the City Manager position full time and what requirements he would request in order to perform the duties as well as to find a replacement for his current duties to make the transition as seamless as possible.

It was requested to add this hiring of a City Manager to the Tuesday February 7, 2023 Regular City Council Meeting Agenda immediately following the work session for consideration and further discussion and possible action. All council members agreed.

Attorney Chris Kennedy spoke on the current path the THC bills through Minnesota Legislation, where it is just at the beginning of its process and looks like the new bills going through will take most of the regulations out of the hands of the cities and put them on the state similar to liquor licensing, but that will not be known until the bills go further in the process. It was Mr. Kennedy's recommendation that if there is any interest from the city to start looking at zoning regulations, otherwise to wait until the bill has gone through a few more steps in the legislation for a more comprehensive idea as to what may be the city's responsibility.

There being no discussion and no action taken, the work session adjourned at 6:51 p.m.

JULIA HALL CITY CLERK

RANDYL. ZIMMERMAN MAYOR